Water supply in the Trivandrum City.

66. * **Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai** (*Municipal Councils*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that there are localities in the City of Trivandrum which even now do not derive the benefits of protected water supply;

(*b*) whether they are aware that the inhabitants of those localities are put to great hardship for want of protected water supply;

(*c*) what is the total length of roads in the Trivandrum City constructed for drainage purposes; and

(*d*) what is the total number of street fountains in the drainage roads?

Dewan Bahadur L. Venkatakrishnan: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) 23 miles.

(*d*) 21.

Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai: May I know the number of additional street fountains required for the purpose of 23 miles of drainage roads in the Trivandrum City?

Dewan Bahadur L. Venkatakrishnan: The street fountains would be put up as requirements arise.

Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai: May I know whether the Corporation has not addressed the Department for installing additional fountains from a long time back?

Dewan Bahadur L. Venkatakrishnan: There are certain formalities which have to be gone through and I am sure that the work would be proceeded with very shortly.

Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai: May I know whether it is a fact that sanction has been accorded for the installation of pipes even a year ago but that the work has not been executed?

Dewan Bahadur L. Venkatakrishnan: That is very likely on account of the small stock of pipes.

P. W. D. Workshops.

67. * **Mr. A. N. Satyanesan**: Will the Government be pleased to state whether in view of the acute scarcity of iron materials under present war conditions, they have considered the possibility of utilising the P. W. D. Workshop for the manufacture of nails, screws, hooks, locks, knives and sundry iron articles from the scraps and bits of iron and steel that can be collected within the State?

Dewan Bahadur L. Venkatakrishnan: Yes, in respect of some consumer goods.

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